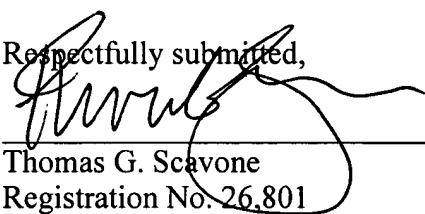


REMARKS

Claims 4-6 are in the case. Claim 4 has been amended to overcome the 35 USC § 112 rejection and to include the recitation of structure from original claim 8. Therefore, new claims 4-6 are in condition for allowance.

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